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Looks Forward to Glorious and Happy Time at Tulsa

Stratford-on-the-Potomac,
October 12, 1938.

My dear Daughters:

Is it not eminently appropriate that I should address you at this season and on the anniversary of the death of General Lee from the birthplace of this great Christian leader?

Close by the house of Lee's birth I cite you the resolution offered by Sidney Lanier at a meeting of his fellow citizens at Macon, Georgia, shortly after the death of General Lee at Lexington.

"Resolved: That we invite our fellow countrymen to unite in some enduring testimonial to the stainless life and glorious services of our departed general and that in the judgment of this meeting such monument would assume its best propriety in the form of a great hall of fame to be built by such voluntary contributions as shall be within the compass of the humblest citizen who loved him and who desires the grateful remembrance of laying some tribute on his tomb."

Inspired by these words but recently discovered, the movement was begun in 1929 to purchase and restore the ancestral home of the Lees on the Potomac. Toward purchase of the property, the United Daughters of the Confederacy not only gave generously and happily from their organization but in the giving made a variation from an established law against giving to a plan of another organization, but in so doing they recognized the supreme opportunity of this signal duty, they linking forever in the history of Stratford the memory of two stainless knights, Lee and Lanier.

The cabin from which I write is situated in the depths of the forest surrounding the Great House. Through these woods the boy Lee hunted and rode to hounds, in its streams he fished and

grew into the strength that served him so well in the hardships of his army life. Nine miles away at Wakefield was born one of his great heroes, George Washington. A special aroma of Stratford Hall and the estate comes from the gentle life here of sweet Ann Carter Lee, to whom we owe the shining life and gentle courage of our hero. Here too breathe memories of Thomas Lee, first native born colonial governor of Virginia who built the Great House and its dependencies, the patriots Richard Henry, Francis Lightfoot, and Arthur Lee; the favorite soldier of Washington, Light-Horse Harry, dispensing famed hospitality and illustrating soldierly qualities that his son Robert so greatly admired. Daughters of the Confederacy may think ever with pride and joy of their part in making this Stratford a source of pleasure and historic value to the American people.

A few weeks ago, I enjoyed a call and long interchange of Lanieriana with Dr. Garland Greever of the University of California at Los Angeles. Dr. Greever is planning the publication of a book to be entitled, *The War Years of Sidney and Clifford Lanier: two Gallant Knights From Dixie*. A delightfully intriguing subject, hitherto untreated in particular. Go right ahead taking orders for the *Rise and Fall of the Confederate Government*, by Jefferson Davis. The special price will hold good until the November Convention at Tulsa.

My visit of recent date to the convention of North Carolina Daughters was a delightful experience and the work of that division most inspiring under the devoted leadership of Mrs. John Huske Anderson. The gathering was held in the quaint and hospitable old town of New Bern.

Looking forward now to a glorious and happy time with representatives of

our divisions at Tulsa, and hoping for a tremendous increase to be shown there in numbers and work done,

Ever faithfully yours,
E. DOLLY BLOUNT LAMAR.

Certificate of Award Forms

Officers and chairmen of committees who will award prizes of any kind at the General Convention may secure small certificates of award by writing Mrs. R. Raymond Woolf, Registrar-General, 2114 Kanawha Street, Charleston, W. Va. State the exact number needed. Please be prompt so that there will not be disappointments.

Mrs. Lamar, at the suggestion of Mrs. Raymond Woolf, Registrar-General, has had these small certificates made to be issued at the General Convention and to be kept by the person or division winning them. They are quite attractive and I think will add prestige and dignity to the awarding of prizes. I feel that there will be more interest taken if the winner has some keepsake to show that she has won the prize.

MRS. R. RAYMOND WOOLF.

Evening Song

Look off, dear Love, across the sallow
sands,
And mark yon meeting of the sun and
sea,
How long they kiss in sight of all the
lands.
Ah! longer, longer, we.
Now in the sea's red vintage melts the
sun,
As Egypt's pearl dissolved in rosy wine.
And Cleopatra night drinks all. 'Tis
done,
Love, lay thine hand in mine.
Come forth, sweet stars and comfort
heaven's heart;
Glimmer, ye waves, round else-unlighted
sands.
O Night! divorce our sun and sky apart,
Never our lips, our hands.

SIDNEY LANIER.

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Last Issue Before the Convention

This issue of THE BULLETIN is the last to come to you before the General Convention of the United Daughters of the Confederacy in Tulsa, November 13-19. At this convention THE BULLETIN committee will make its report, and it hopes that many of you will be in Tulsa to hear it.

This report will be one of interest, for it will show the coöperation of chapters in this new undertaking of our organization. While THE BULLETIN may not be all we could wish, at least we have made a beginning in a simple way, which may grow to larger proportions.

Virginia still leads in number of subscriptions with Texas taking second honors and Georgia occupying third place. It is not too late yet to strive to win the prize, for subscriptions will be received up to November 9th. Remember that the prize will be awarded pro rata, and the larger divisions have perhaps a less chance than the smaller ones.

In sending your subscriptions, please type the name and address if you can. If this be not possible, write the name and address just as plainly as possible. A number of BULLETINS are returned each month though they bear addresses

as have been sent the chairman.

It may be that your chairman will not be able to be in Tulsa to present the report of THE BULLETIN. Though she may not she will be thinking of you and the wonderful spirit of loyalty you have shown for the past ten months, and she takes this opportunity of expressing her personal appreciation of the unselfish service of members of the committee whose work has been unexcelled; to the district directors who have worked untiringly in its behalf; and to division presidents, who have measured up to their responsibilities and to the subscribers who responded to the demand made upon them. Her love and loyalty are yours.

Final Appeal for Jefferson Davis Statue Fund

Our Convention at Tulsa is just "around the corner." Hence we are sending a final appeal to all chapters, urging that they meet the requested quota of 50c per capita for the Jefferson Davis Statue to be erected on the capitol grounds in Montgomery, the cradle of the Confederacy.

If you have not already done so, let me urge that your contributions to this fund be sent immediately to the Treasurer-General, that all contributions may be included in her report.

To fail in meeting our quota would be a reflection upon our loyalty, not only to Jefferson Davis, the South's vicarious expiator, but to our President-General, who is most anxious that this statue be one of the completed objectives of her administration. That is her hope. Let us make it a reality!

Mrs. Meyer, director for the Missouri Division, Mrs. Reed, West Virginia's director, and Mrs. J. A. Fulmer, director for Louisiana, have sent most encouraging reports.

Mrs. Reed reports \$196.00 contributed and the following full quota chapters: Robert E. Lee, Fairmont; Huntington, and Jackson-Lee Chapter, Huntington.

Mrs. Fulmer reports \$121.00 contributed and the following quota chapters: The Kate Beard, Francis T. Nichols, Robert E. Lee and Sabine Rifles.

Mrs. A. A. Meyer reports \$335.00 contributed and the following Missouri chapters that have sent their quota since the September issue of THE BULLETIN: Confederate Dames, St. Louis, Black-

water, Springfield, Hannibal, Poplar Bluff, Keytesville, St. Louis Chapter. The following Missouri chapters: Maury, St. Louis, Richmond, Marshall and Robert E. Lee, Kansas City, have not only met their quota, but gone "over the top" as have the Troy Chapter, Troy Alabama, and Sophie Bibb Chapter, Montgomery.

We hope many more chapters will follow their leadership and go the "second mile."

In all organizations there are those who, through indifference or previously assumed responsibilities, fail to contribute to certain causes. Our organization is no exception. Therefore, it will be necessary for some chapters to exceed their quota, if the fund is to be completed. Let us not feel our duty done until the fund, \$20,000.00, has been completed.

In closing this appeal we wish to express appreciation to our President-General for her unfailing interest in this phase of U.D.C. endeavor. Her co-operation has been most heartening—for which we are truly grateful. We wish too, to thank Miss Mann for the generous space accorded us in THE BULLETIN and to assure her of our appreciation of her interest and kindly consideration.

ELIZABETH B. BASHINSKY,
Chairman.

GEORGIA CALLING RICHMOND, VIRGINIA:

Custodian of Minutes, Georgia Division, needs four (4) copies of General Minutes, 1911, Richmond, Virginia, to complete files. Terms: exchange, sell, gift.

GEORGIA CALLING GULFPORT, MISSISSIPPI:

Custodian of Minutes, Georgia Division, needs three (3) copies of General Minutes, 1906, Gulfport, Mississippi, to complete files. Terms: same as above.

Write Mrs. Frank F. Jones, Lowther Hall, Clinton, Gray, Georgia.

California Division

Plans are rapidly being formulated by San Francisco and the Golden Gate International Exposition for the 1939 U.D.C. Convention. Let's have suggested slogans from all of you for the Convention, next May.

HISTORICAL

It has been amazing and gratifying to receive so many essays, showing a vast amount of research and study, and we regret that there are not several prizes on each subject, instead of just one to be awarded.

Some historical reports have been late coming in. If by any chance your division is one of these delinquents please forward your report at once to my address.

For historical evening at Tulsa we hope to have as our special guest Laura Krey, author of the widely read book, . . . and Tell of Time, which is now in its third edition and has received highest praise. The story begins with the heavy-hearted journey home of disbanded Confederate soldiers, and as it moves on, opens up a fresh vista down the lengthening sweep of our past. Please try to read this delightful book before you meet Mrs. Krey at your convention.

Program for November:

EDMUND RUFFIN

Advocate of scientific farming in the Old South.

Said to have fired the first shot at Fort Sumter.

Committed suicide on hearing of General Lee's surrender.

Reference:

"Life of Edmund Ruffin"—A. O. Craven.

MARY H. FLOURNOY.

Division News

MISSOURI

The Missouri Division has been most active in all branches of both the state and general work. The most outstanding work for the state was the furnishing of two rooms in the Anderson Home on the Battlefield of Lexington, Missouri. One as a memorial to Confederate Veterans and one as a memorial to Mothers of the South. These rooms were furnished in the period 1861-1865. The formal opening was held on the seventy-seventh anniversary of the siege of Lexington, September 18, 1938. We are so thrilled at our accomplishment so far, that we want the Daughters everywhere to know something about the memorial and the Anderson Home. The house was erected

in 1853 by a Kentuckian named Anderson who came to Missouri to engage in the hemp business. It stands today on a bluff overlooking the Missouri River. For scenic beauty, it can hardly be surpassed. The building is of brick made on the premises, and all the woodwork is of walnut cut on the grounds. The main hall on the first floor is 18 by 36 feet, and it leads to four immense rooms on either side 18 by 18 feet each. At the rear of the hall a staircase rises to a landing, then on to the second floor, and from the second story the stairs lead up to the third floor in the same way. One can look from the third floor to the hall below. The ceilings are 14 feet high. The third floor has two rooms and a large hall. Mr. Anderson raised Italian bees. In the alcoves under the eaves a brick was left out so the bees could enter and store up honey for the winter. Evidence of the bee industry may still be seen. Any statement of bald figures fail to impress one with the grandeur and immensity of the rooms and the charm and simplicity which the architect designed. The walls, inside and out, show a great many shell holes with some bullets still imbedded that can be seen, and this brings us to the War Between the States. The battle was actually fought between the Union forces under Colonel Mulligan and General Sterling Price at the head of about 12,000 Missouri State Guards, under the United States flag and the Missouri State Flag. After the surrender of Colonel Mulligan, General Sterling Price captured enough arms, ammunition, horses and food that he and his men could go on and join the Confederate Army. This battle is often referred to as the Battle of the Hemp Bales.

The formal opening was well attended, about 500 being present. Addresses were made by B. M. Little, Mayor of Lexington, and Henry C. Chiles of the Lafayette County Historical Society. Response being made by the Missouri Division President, Mrs. Harry C. Reiner, who announced that the Missouri Division wanted the Anderson Home and surrounding grounds as a U.D.C. shrine. She was assured that the county authorities were ready as soon as the Missouri Division was ready to act. After the exercises a beautiful tea was given. With the Southern setting and Southern hospitality it was all reminiscent of the deep South to those who

had lived it, and also to those whose imagination visioned the South from pictures and history.

MRS. HARRY C. REINER,
President, Missouri Division.

NORTH CAROLINA

The forty-second annual convention of the North Carolina Division, met on October 11-13 at New Bern with Mrs. Walter D. Lamar, President-General, as honor guest, and the president of the Virginia Division, Mrs. R. S. Cox, as a visitor.

On the opening evening the president's dinner was featured by an unusual program arranged by the president of the division, Mrs. John H. Anderson. This was in the form of a skit—the graduating exercises of the division's class 1937-1938 when members of the board gave a history, last will and testament, class poem, all joining in singing a parody on "school days."

The president presented to each member of the class a school annual in the form of attractive memory books filled with clippings and pictures of the activities of this class. She also presented the members with diplomas "for their efficiency as faithful U.D.C. students."

Each member of the class presented to the president, Mrs. Anderson, a silver goblet monogrammed with their individual initials.

Mrs. Louis E. Fisher, of Asheville, was elected to serve as the new division president, to succeed Mrs. Anderson, and will take office on December 1st, following the General Convention.

MRS. JOHN S. ROWE,
Publicity Chairman.

In Memoriam

It is with deep regret that we must record the death of Mrs. Sidney Perry Cooper, State Chairman of the North Carolina Lanier Committee on September 30, 1938.

The passing of this splendid Daughter is a great loss to the organization.

"Let her own works praise her in the gates."

MARGARET B. ROUQUIE,
General Chairman Sidney Lanier for the Hall of Fame Committee.

Eligibility Clause

Mrs. Kirby-Smith Anderson, Chairman of Rutherford Literature, U.D.C., writes:

THE BULLETIN is filling a long felt need and will prove a great success. It combines three essentials—information, inspiration and publicity.

Why not add to eligibility clause of C. of C. "and lineal descendants of U.D.C. and C.L.M.A." This would hold the word "lineal" in the rules and honor the women of the Confederacy.

Mrs. Robert Bachman of Johnson City, Tennessee, sends us the following:

This past June 3rd, our chapter did a most outstanding thing—the idea came to me through your BULLETIN (evidence that the BULLETIN is read). When I read that the Hanover Chapter of Virginia Division took jonquils to Walter Reed Hospital, I resolved that it would be very lovely to go to Mountain Home, here, the World War Veterans Hospital, one of the largest of the Government hospitals, which we did, taking roses to every patient, in memory of Jefferson Davis? You know the rose was his favorite flower, and we went into every ward, every private room and were well received with this fragrant message. The physician in charge—Colonel J. H. S. Morrison told me that the whole hospital was ours and he gave three cheers for our martyred President! I would like to pass this idea on to other U.D.C. chapters, especially since our beloved President-General, Mrs. Lamar, calls her administration a "Jefferson Davis" one.

California Division

Mrs. D. C. Farnham, president of the California Division says: "The first plan is the completion of the Ivy Douglas Ostrom Scholarship, for which we promised the University of California, at Berkeley, \$4,000. We have paid but \$2,000. We all accepted this challenge at Sacramento. We know you contributed last year but we must have more. Every chapter must help. The Scholarship belongs to you all. Who knows but what any member of any chapter may some day be a beneficiary. To make this available, we must all act as a unit."

PROGRAM

United Daughters of the Confederacy, Forty-fifth Annual Convention, November 13 to 19, 1938, Tulsa, Oklahoma, Headquarters, Mayo Hotel. All meetings will be held in Mayo Hotel.

Hostess: The United Daughters of the Confederacy in Tulsa.

Mrs. Ben Eyler Chaney, General Chairman, 1320 South Main Street, Tulsa.

Mrs. Theodore Irving Sullivan, General Co-Chairman, 2139 East 18th St., Tulsa.

Pre-Convention Events, Sunday, November 13th

- 5:00 P. M.—Buffet Supper by States, complimentary to President-General, General Officers, Past Presidents-General, delegates and visiting guests. Hostesses will be local Daughters representing their native States.
7:30 P. M.—Special services, Boston Avenue Methodist Church, Dr. E. Forney Hutchinson, Pastor; Chaplain of Trans-Mississippi Division, United Sons of Confederate Veterans.

Monday, November 14th

- 9:00 A. M.—Visit Woolroc Ranch by invitation of Frank Phillips. Return through neighboring oil fields.
7:00 P. M.—Division Presidents Dinner in honor of the President-General.

Tuesday, November 15th

- 9:00 A. M.—Invitation to visit Tulsa shops and stores.
12:00 M.—Oklahoma Division Luncheon, complimenting President-General, General Officers, and Past Presidents-General, University Club, opposite Mayo Hotel. Mrs. Theodore Irving Sullivan, President, Oklahoma Division, presiding.
2:00 P. M.—Drive over city.
3:00 to 5:00 P. M.—Tea and reception at Southern Hills Country Club in honor of President-General and officers and all convention delegates and guests. Tulsa Chapter, Hostess.
8:00 P. M.—Welcome evening of convention, Crystal Ballroom, Mayo Hotel.
10:00 P. M.—Reception, Mezzanine Parlors, Mayo Hotel.
Hostesses: Mrs. O. H. Hevis, President, Clement A. Evans Chapter; Mrs. John L. Smiley, President, Tulsa Chapter, and members of Clement A. Evans Chapter, and Tulsa Chapter.

Wednesday, November 16th

- 1:00 P. M.—Luncheon, Historian-General, Division and Chapter Historians and all interested.
2:30 P. M.—Memorial services.
8:00 P. M.—Division President's evening. Mrs. Edward Warrern Beach, First Vice-President-General, presiding.

Thursday, November 17th

- 12:30 P. M.—Luncheon to General Officers, Delegates and Registered Visitors, Mayo Hotel.
4:00 to 6:00 P. M.—Tea and Reception at home of Mrs. Grover Cleveland Spillers, in honor of President-General, General Officers, all convention delegates and guests. Clement A. Evans Chapter, Hostess.

Post-Convention Events, Saturday, November 19th

- 9:30 A. M.—Pilgrimage to Fort Gibson, and Jefferson Davis Cabin, where he lived and served as a lieutenant in the United States Army.

Chapter presidents are requested to adhere closely to rules governing Credentials for U.D.C. Convention.

Elect your delegates at once, fill out the blanks, and send as follows: One to Mrs. J. P. Higgins, Chairman, 5330 Pershing Avenue, St. Louis, Mo.; the second to your Division President, that she may be able to forward same to Committee on Credentials ten days before the Convention. (Art. 16.) No credentials will be recognized that are not in the hands of the Committee on Credentials five days before the Convention, which will be November 11, 1938. (Art. 6, Sec. 11.)